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Ms. Mary Nichols, Chair  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 "I" Street  
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Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear Ms. Nichols:

The City of Guadalupe is concerned about the issues of climate change and is committed to being a proactive partner in tackling this important issue.

We are also concerned with respect to how much it will cost our agency to implement AB 32 in terms of the realization of higher energy costs.

We respectfully request the California Air Resources Board (CARB) conduct a thorough analysis of how higher electricity, natural gas, gasoline and diesel costs will impact the general fund budgets of local governments in the state.

Local governments are already facing difficult budget decisions this year and many of local jurisdictions will be facing the possibility of cutting vital services including public safety, and street maintenance.

In addition to calculating costs to local governments, we urge CARB to consider innovative ways to reduce the overall costs of the AB 32 program by considering market-oriented approaches as opposed to top down mandates.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Lupe Alvarez  
Mayor

